Maine Revised Statutes

Title 29-A: MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

Chapter 19: OPERATION

§2104. IMPROPER PLATES

1. Attaching false plates. A person commits a Class E crime if that person attaches to a vehicle a registration plate assigned to another vehicle or not currently assigned to that vehicle.

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[ 2003, c. 452, Pt. Q, §58 (AMD); 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF) .]
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1-A. Permitting attachment of false plates. A person commits a Class E crime if that person permits to be attached to a vehicle a registration plate assigned to another vehicle or not currently assigned to that vehicle.

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[ 2003, c. 452, Pt. Q, §59 (NEW); 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF) .]
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1-B. Permitting display of false registration validation device. A person commits a Class E crime if that person permits to be attached or displayed on a vehicle registration plate a registration validation device issued for another vehicle.

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[ 2015, c. 176, §5 (NEW) .]
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2. False identification. A person commits a Class E crime if that person obscures identification numbers, identification letters, the state name, validation sticker or mark distinguishing the type of plate attached to a vehicle.

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[ 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1993, c. 683, Pt. B, §5 (AFF) .]
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3. Manufacturing or reproduction of plates. A person commits a Class D crime if that person manufactures or reproduces registration plates without the consent of the Secretary of State.

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[ 1995, c. 65, Pt. A, §109 (NEW); 1995, c. 65, Pt. A, §153 (AFF); 1995, c. 65, Pt. C, §15 (AFF) .]
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4. **Alterations to registration plates.** Except when a greater penalty is applicable, a person commits a traffic infraction if that person adds or attaches to a registration plate a decal, symbol, slogan, mark, letter or number not authorized by law or by the Secretary of State.

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[ 1995, c. 645, Pt. B, §6 (NEW); 1995, c. 645, Pt. B, §24 (AFF) .]
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5. Strict liability. Violation of subsection 1, 2 or 3 is a strict liability crime as defined in Title 17-A, section 34, subsection 4-A.

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[ 2003, c. 452, Pt. Q, §60 (NEW); 2003, c. 452, Pt. X, §2 (AFF) .]

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